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House Resolution 1768

By: Representatives Marin of the 96th and Chambers of the 81st

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the St. Pius X Catholic High School forensic team; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, St. Pius X Catholic High School, a chapter member of the National Forensic
- 3 League, has a rich tradition of speech and debate; and
- 4 WHEREAS, during the 2005-2006 academic year, the school's forensic team enjoyed one of
- 5 its most outstanding years ever in competition, giving its members the opportunity to
- 6 compete on state and national levels and providing them with a highly intellectually enriching
- 7 experience that they will always remember; and
- 8 WHEREAS, at the Winfield Scott Debates at Starr's Mill High School, the team qualified as
- 9 a finalist in public forum debate and won first place in original oratory; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the team qualified as a finalist in original oratory and tied for first place in
- 11 public forum debate at the Chattahoochee High School tournament; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the team also finished first place in public forum debate at the Carrollton Peach
- 13 State Classic and the Milton High School tournament, in addition to qualifying as a finalist
- 14 in original oratory at the Milton competition; and
- 15 WHEREAS, at the Georgia Northern Mountain District tournament, the St. Pius X Catholic
- 16 High School forensic team placed as a national qualifier and first alternate for the United
- 17 States national tournament to be held this summer in Texas; and
- 18 WHEREAS, on February 25, 2006, this talented team won the GFCA 2006 State Public
- 19 Forum Debate Championship after finishing first, second, and third, with all three teams
- 20 being undefeated in competition; and

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1 WHEREAS, thanks to the hard work and determination of the team's students and coaches,

- 2 the St. Pius X Catholic High School forensic team has brought great honor to its school and
- 3 community.
- 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 5 the members of this body join to commend the St. Pius X Catholic High School forensic team
- 6 on its many outstanding achievements and extend their best wishes to the team as it competes
- 7 this summer at the National Forensic League Tournament.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copies of this resolution to Head Coach Sean Hiland;
- 10 Assistant Coach Michael Berlon; team members Kyle Joyce, Mychal Stanley, Rafael
- 11 Hernandez, Nick Berlon, Brent Modak, Patrick Angulo, Franz Destin, Taylor Whelchel,
- 12 Kristen Reese, Ceci Zhang, Maggie Hamilton, Hugh Kinsel, and Thomas Copeland; and Mr.
- 13 Stephen Spellman, principal of St. Pius X Catholic High School.